

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN BILL TASH**, on February 24, 2003 at 7:09 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Bill Tash, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Aubyn Curtiss, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Sherm Anderson (R)  
Sen. Gregory D. Barkus (R)  
Sen. Jon Ellingson (D)  
Sen. Rick Laible (R)  
Sen. Bea McCarthy (D)  
Sen. Dan McGee (R)  
Sen. Gary L. Perry (R)  
Sen. Glenn Roush (D)  
Sen. Debbie Shea (D)  
Sen. Ken Toole (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Shirley Herrin, Committee Secretary  
Krista Lee Evans, Legislative Branch

**Video-taped Committee:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A video-taped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Executive Action: SB 350; SB 269

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 350**

**Motion:** SEN. BEA MCCARTHY moved that SB 350 BE AMENDED  
SB035001.ace **EXHIBIT**(nas41a01).

**Discussion:**

7:12 Begin  
7:15 SEN. DUANE GRIMES, sponsor of SB 350, addressed the  
amendments.  
7:18 SEN. GARY PERRY submitted an article from a newspaper  
**EXHIBIT**(nas41a02)  
7:19 **Motion:** SEN. DAN MCGEE moved that SB 350 DO PASS.  
  
7:33 SEN. GRIMES submitted another amendment. **Motion:** SEN.  
MCCARTHY moved a conceptual amendment to SB 350. She  
then withdrew her motion.  
7:35 **Vote:** Motion that SB 350 DO PASS carried 10-2 with  
ELLINGSON(by proxy) and TOOLE voting no.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 269**

**Motion:**

7:36 SEN. RICK LAIBLE moved that SB 269 DO PASS. **Motion:**  
SEN. LAIBLE moved that SB 269 BE AMENDED SB026901.akl  
**EXHIBIT**(nas41a03)

**Discussion:**

7:38 Begin  
7:53 Ended  
15 min Time elapsed.

**Vote:** Motion on the amendment carried 10-2 with ELLINGSON and  
TOOLE voting no.

7:54 **Motion:** SEN. MCGEE moved that SB 269 DO PASS AS  
AMENDED.

**Discussion:**

7:55 Begin  
8:09 Ended  
15 min Time elapsed

8:09 **Vote:** Motion failed 4-8 with ANDERSON, CURTISS, LAIBLE  
and MCGEE voting aye. **Motion/Vote:** SEN. TOOLE moved  
that SB 269 BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED. Motion carried  
8-4 with ANDERSON, CURTISS, LAIBLE, and MCGEE voting  
no.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 8:10 A.M.

---

SEN. BILL TASH, Chairman

---

SHIRLEY HERRIN, Secretary

BT/SH

**EXHIBIT (nas41aad)**